UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.

Resolution No. 92-16

REQUEST FOR INCREASED APPROPRIATIONS FOR INDIAN HOUSING

- whereas, the United South and Eastern Tribes, Incorporated (USET) is an inter-tribal organization comprised of twenty (20) federally recognized tribes; and
- whereas, the actions taken by the USET, Inc. Board of Directors officially represent the intentions of each member tribe, as the Board of Directors is comprised of delegates from the member tribes leadership; and
- WHEREAS, a recent survey conducted by the Bureau of Indian Affairs in which it was revealed that 98,781 new or substantially rehabilitated houses were needed in 1989 in order to meet minimum federal housing standards; and
- whereas, this deterioration of Indian housing is a direct result of the inadequate federal funding of existing federal housing programs and the gradual erosion of support for Indian housing from the United States Executive Administration, which had proposed to completely eliminate funding for Indian housing "new construction" for the FY 1993 federal budget; and
 - .EREAS, the Eastern Indian Housing Authorities Association has consistently opposed any policy which will have the effect of exterminating or curtailing federal Indian housing programs designed to provide for the ever increasing unmet need for adequate housing for members of Indian Nations;
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the USET Board of Directors does hereby support the increase in federal appropriations so as to reach a level of \$500,000,000, the funding of 6,000 units in the FY 1993 federal budget; and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the USET Board of Directors does not feel that the HOME program is appropriate for the benefit of Indian people.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the Board of Directors Meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Washington, DC on February 27, 1992.

Eddie L. Tullis, President United South and Eastern

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Lovelin Poncho, Secretary United South and Eastern

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